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## Amendments to the Claims

In response to the Official Action and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c), please enter the following rewritten claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating a sound transition between a first audio work and a second audio work, wherein said first audio work is ending and said second audio work is beginning, and wherein there is provided a plurality of audio speakers

a. selecting a first transition pattern for said first audio work;

arrayed in a spaced-apart configuration, comprising:

b. selecting a second transition pattern for said second audio work, said transition patterns for said first and second audio work providing an audio transition between said first audio work and said second audio work, wherein

(a1) each of said first and second audio works is played through said audio speakers according to said first and second transition patterns, thereby creating an impression of movement of said first and second audio works to in a listener;

c. playing said first audio work through said plurality of audio speakers according to said first transition pattern until said first audio work is no longer audible;

d. playing said second audio work through said plurality of audio speakers according to said second transition pattern until said first audio work is no longer audible and thereafter continuing to play said second audio work through said plurality of audio speakers according to the desires of <u>a</u> the user.

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2. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the steps of selecting said first and

said second transition patterns is accomplished by selecting a master transition pattern

which includes both said first and said second transition patterns therein.

3. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein said first transition pattern is

selected from a group consisting of:

(a1) a front-to-back transition pattern,

(a2) a left side to right side transition pattern, or,

(a3) a circling transition pattern.

4. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

e. forming a graphical representation of said first transition pattern and said second

transition pattern, wherein said graphical representation reflects at least

approximately said impression of movement of said first and second audio works

within said speakers; and,

f. displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first

transition pattern and said second transition pattern during the playing of said first

and second audio works.

5. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

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e. forming a graphical representation of said first transition pattern, said graphical

representation having at least indicia thereon representing each of said audio

speakers;

f. displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first

transition pattern during the playing of said first audio work.

6. (Original) A method according to Claim 5, wherein said indicia of said audio speakers

are at least approximately spaced apart on said computer display device proportionally to

an actual spacing of said audio speakers.

7. (Original) A method according to Claim 5, wherein step (f) comprises the step of

displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first

transition pattern during the playing of said first audio work, wherein said display

operates at least approximately in real-time and wherein said displayed graphical

representation is continuously updated to reflect the operation of said first transition

pattern.

8. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

e. forming a graphical representation of said second transition pattern, said graphical

representation having at least indicia thereon representing each of said audio

speakers;

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f. displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of first

transition and said second transition pattern during the playing of at least a portion

of said second audio work.

9. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein at least a portion of said first

transition pattern is provided by a user.

10. (Original) A method according to Claim 1, wherein at least a portion of said second

transition pattern is provided by a user.

11. (Currently Amended) A method of transitioning between a first audio work and a second

audio work, wherein said first audio work is ending and said second audio work is

beginning, and wherein there is provided a plurality of audio speakers arrayed in a

spaced-apart configuration, comprising:

a. selecting a first transition pattern for use with said first audio work, said first

transition pattern providing an audible impression of movement of said first audio

work when said first audio work is played according to said first transition pattern

though said plurality of audio speakers;

b. selecting a second transition pattern for use with said second audio work, said

second transition pattern providing an audible impression of movement of said

second audio work when said second audio work is played according to said

second transition pattern though through said plurality of audio speakers, said

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second transition pattern being selected to be complementary to said first

transition pattern;

c. playing said first audio work through said plurality of audio speakers according to

said first transition pattern until said first audio work is no longer audible;

d. playing said second audio work through said plurality of audio speakers according

to said second transition pattern until said first audio work is no longer audible

and thereafter continuing to play said second audio work through said plurality of

audio speakers according to the desires of a the user.

12. (Original) A method according to Claim 11, wherein the steps of selecting said first and

said second transition patterns is accomplished by selecting a master transition pattern

which includes both said first and said second transition patterns therein.

13. (Original) A method according to Claim 11, wherein said first transition pattern is

selected from a group consisting of:

(a1) a front-to-back transition pattern,

(a2) a left side to right side transition pattern, or,

(a3) a circling transition pattern.

14. (Original) A method according to Claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

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forming a graphical representation of said first transition pattern, wherein said e.

graphical representation reflects at least approximately said impression of

movement of said first audio work within said speakers; and,

displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first f.

transition pattern during the playing of said first audio work.

(Original) A method according to Claim 11, further comprising the steps of: 15.

forming a graphical representation of said second transition pattern, wherein said e.

graphical representation reflects at least approximately said impression of

movement of said second audio work within said speakers; and,

displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said f.

second transition pattern during the playing of said second audio work.

(Original) A method according to Claim 11, further comprising the steps of: **16**.

forming a graphical representation of said first transition pattern, said graphical e.

representation having at least indicia thereon representing each of said audio

speakers;

displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first f.

transition pattern during the playing of said first audio work.

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17. (Original) A method according to Claim 16, wherein said indicia of said audio speakers

are at least approximately spaced apart on said computer display device proportionally to

an actual spacing of said audio speakers.

18. (Original) A method according to Claim 14, wherein step (f) comprises the step of

displaying on a computer display device said graphical representation of said first

transition pattern during the playing of said first audio work, wherein said display occurs

at least approximately in real-time and wherein said displayed graphical representation is

continuously updated to reflect the operation of said first transition pattern.

19. (Original) A method according to Claim 11, wherein at least a portion of said first

transition pattern is provided by a user.

20. (Original) A method according to Claim 11, wherein at least a portion of said second

transition pattern is provided by a user.